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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 1744

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In re Application of:

RICHARD T. SMITH, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/970,913

Filed: October 5, 2001

For: HIGH-SPEED, LOW-TEMPERATURE
STERILIZATION AND SANITIZATION
APPARATUS AND METHOD

Docket No.: 02105.002210

Examiner: S. Conley

Group Art Unit: 1744

Date: December 29, 2003

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Rejection and Petition for Extension of Time in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	71	MINUS	77	= 0	x \$ 9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	9	MINUS	9	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$145°/\$290						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☐ A check in the amount of \$____ is enclosed.

☐ Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the fee for a two (2) month extension is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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